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Department of Natural Resources Environmental Enforcement Division	1. County Wayne	No. 82	2. Date of Report 9-11-81	3. File No. 22-82-80	4. File Class 215/64
	5. Township		6. Date of Original 2-22-80	7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Investigation <input type="checkbox"/> Supplementary Investigation	
8. Division or District Law 14	9. City or Village Romulus		10. PEAS No. 131-80		
11. Type of Site landfill- closed			12. Type of Investigation illegal discharge/hazardous waste		
13. Name of Site/Facility/Firm landfill north of Wick Road just west of the C&O Railroad					
14. Address Romulus					
15. Contacted Melvin Morgan			16. Position		
17. Origin					
18. Address					
19. Received by			20. Investigating Officers Epskamp/Jaski		

On 1-28-80, the Water Quality District office at the Pte. Mouillee State Game Area recieved a complaint from Mary Stabenow, a custodian at the Wick Elementary School, 36900 Wick Road in Romulus. Ms. Stabenow stated that oil was seeping out of property adjacent to the school and running onto the playground.

Water Quality Specialist Cathy Morse met with Ms. Stabenow on 1-29-80 at the Wick Elementary School. She found an oily leachate coming from a mounded area and flowing into a shallow drainage ditch in the northeast corner of the school property. The leachate has a petroleum or solvent odor.

On 1-30-80, Water Quality Specialist Tim Jaski walked over the property adjacent to the Wick Elementary School. He found that the property was an old landfill. He discovered material that had apparently been dumped after the landfill had been closed. Included in this material were 200-300 55 gallon drums containing a solid granular material. See PEAS report #131-80 2-1-80 interoffice communication from Tim Jaski to Roy Schrameck.

The owner of the property on the east side of the school was Melvin Morgan. The property on the north side of the school is owned by Ebert J. Satterlee.

On 2-12-80, I contacted Melvin Morgan, 28517 Hoover, Warren, MI. He was purchasing the old landfill property under a land contract agreement as Morgan Lentine Co. Mr. Morgan agreed to allow MDNR Water Quality personnel to take samples of the 55 gallon drums and the leachate coming from his property. Ebert Satterlee was not contacted.

On 2-13-80, Water Quality Specialists William Stone and Tim Jaski sampled the leachat and the granular material in the 55 gallon drums. See MDNR Environmental Laboratory Analysis, Lab log 4562 & 4573.

I checked with the MDNR Resource Recovery Division and the Wayne County Health Department to see if the property had been used as a landfill in the past. MDNR Resource Recovery Division had no record of a landfill at that location.

21. Investigating Officer's Signature

22. Name (Typed)

23. Reviewing Officer

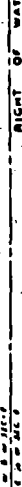
24. Station and Address

The Wayne County Health Department had records of the property being used as a landfill during the 1960's. Until about 1964, the Mendrek dump operated at that location. The files indicate waste oils and paint were dumped into the water table. The dump also accepted hospital waste. Residents near the dump complained about odors from uncovered refuse and the burning of liquid industrial waste. See Wayne County Health Department files.

Ebert J. Satterlee, 28140 Ecorse Rd., Romulus, MI operated a landfill on the property after 1964. The landfill appears to have been closed by the Romulus Township Board of Trustees in 1967.

The old landfill property is divided into two sections, P1a1 to P1a1b (west section) and P2P3a1 (east section). The east section was owned by Hubert Martin, 67 White Oak, Franklin, N. Carolina from 1953 till 1981. Taxes on the property do not appear to have been paid after 1973. In 1981, title to the property was foreclosed for taxes. The property is now owned by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Lands Division.

The west section the original deed is held by Frank Zimmerman Jr. However, an unrecorded land contract agreement appears to have been in effect at the time the landfill was in operation. Hubert Martin was most likely the owner. Taxes on the property do not appear to have been paid after 1974. I expect the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to become the owner of the property in May of 1982.



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